

*Gripp-Zirngibl 2-35
Serial No. 09/648,822*

Remarks

Amendments

This response supplements Applicants' response of November 29, 2003, which is incorporated herein by reference.

Claims 1-27 remain in the application for reexamination.

Independent claims 1, 9, 14, 21 and 22 have been amended to correct a purely formal matter; that is, primarily to change the phrase "characterized in that" or "characterized by" to "comprising."

No new matter has been added.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration of claims 1-27, and passage of this application to issue, are hereby respectfully requested. If during the consideration of this paper, the Commissioner believes that resolution of the issues raised will be facilitated by further discussion, he is urged to contact the undersigned attorney at 610-691-7710 (voice) or 610-691-8434 (fax).

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